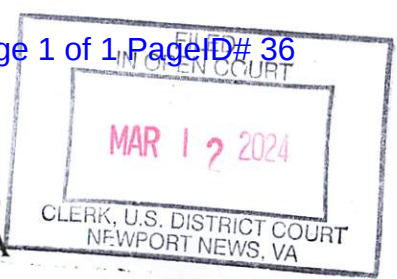


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
*Newport News Division*



IN RE: RICKY DAMION CHRISTOPHER ) CASE NUMBER 4:24-cr-18  
JONES, JR., ET AL. )  
GRAND JURY PROCEEDINGS ) UNDER SEAL

**ORDER SEALING INDICTMENT**

Upon motion of the United States Attorney, pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 49(B) the Court finds that sealing of the indictment and arrest warrant(s) is necessary to prevent notification of the existence of the arrest warrant(s) which could result in flight from prosecution, the destruction of or tampering with evidence, the intimidation of potential witnesses, jeopardize the safety of the arresting officers or otherwise jeopardize the ongoing investigation.

It is hereby ORDERED that the indictment and arrest warrant(s) are sealed.

It is further ORDERED that: (1) a certified copy of the indictment shall be provided to those law enforcement officials involved in the prosecution of this case; and (2) a copy of the sealed arrest warrants shall be made available to agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for execution of the same.

It is further ORDERED that the indictment and arrest warrant(s) are unsealed at the initial appearance of the defendant, at which time the indictment may be treated as a public record.

  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Newport News, Virginia  
March 12, 2024

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